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Ms. Nicole Kamins
Save the Dunes
444 Barker Road
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Dear Ms. Kamins:

Re: Invitation to become a co-representative
of the CARE Committee for the Indiana
Harbor Ship Canal/Grand Calumet River
Area of Concern

On behalf of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM), I would like to invite you to serve as a co-representative of Save the Dunes on the Citizens' Advisory for the Remediation of the Environment (CARE) Committee. As part of the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement, a public advisory committee is required to help develop and guide the implementation of the Remedial Action Plan (RAP). The CARE Committee is the advisory group for our Area of Concern (AOC). Since 1990, a dynamic group of committed individuals has worked tirelessly towards the clean up and eventual delisting of the Indiana Harbor Ship Canal / Grand Calumet River AOC. This group has representation from local government, industry, citizen groups, as well as environmental groups, and has been working diligently to devise strategies for reaching Beneficial Use Impairment (BUI) delisting targets.

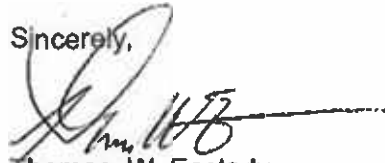
IDEM wants to insure that adequate representation continues as the RAP moves towards its eventual completion. As Executive Director to the Save the Dunes organization, we recognize you may not be available for all meetings and are therefore being asked to be a co-representative to share your input and expertise in regards to the Calumet area. Traditionally meetings are as follows:

- The CARE Work Group traditionally meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month from 3:00 – 4:30 pm. In certain circumstances meeting dates are changed but committee members are polled for an appropriate alternative date.
- Every quarter an evening public CARE meeting is held to share accomplishments and ideas with an open forum.

Please acknowledge by November 12, 2010, whether you will be able to serve as a co-representative on the CARE Work Group Committee. Any questions may be directed to Ms. Danielle Barnett with IDEM (219-757-0277; dbarnett@idem.IN.gov).

We look forward, with your support, to our continued progress in restoring the Grand Calumet River watershed.

Sincerely,



Thomas W. Easterly
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